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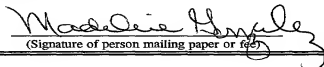
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April 17, 2001

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the [X] Utility [] Design nonprovisional patent application of:

Inventor / Application Identifier: **Norman BITTERLICH**☒ See Inventor Information Sheet attachedFor: **METHOD FOR DETERMINING SIGNIFICANT LOSSES IN BONE DENSITY**

- [] This is a new patent application.
☒ This is the 35 U.S.C. 371 National Stage Application of the above-identified PCT Application.
 [] This is a provisional patent application.
☐ This is a: ☐ Continuation Application
 ☐ Divisional Application
 ☐ Continuation-in-Part Application
 of prior Application Serial No. _
☐ Cancel in this application original claims _ of the prior application before calculating the filing fee.
☐ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:
 -- This is a [] Continuation, [] Division, [] Continuation-in-part, of Application

[] Incorporation By Reference. The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

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PRIORITY CLAIMS	
	Applicant hereby claims the benefit of the filing date of the following provisional application(s) under the provision of 35 USC 119.
X	Applicant hereby claims the benefit under the provisions of 35 USC 119 of the filing dates of the following applications as indicated below: Germany Patent Appln. No. 100 20 880.0, filed April 28, 2000, Priority Claimed of which certified copies thereof
	will follow
	are enclosed
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Total Claims	0	20	0	\$18	\$0
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